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Gerhard SCHIMANZ

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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October 16, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page of this paper.